

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 10

1200 Sixth Avenue Seattle, Washington 98101

October 30, 1995

Mr. Chris Beaverson NOAA Coastal Resources Coordinator c/o EPA Region 10 1200 Sixth Avenue Seattle, WA 98101

RE: Notification to Natural Resource Trustees
McCormick and Baxter Creosoting Co. Superfund Site
Multnomah County, Oregon

Dear Mr. Beaverson:

In accordance with the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986, §104(b)(2), the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is providing notification of completion of a Remedial Investigation/ Feasibility Study (RI/FS) at the McCormick and Baxter Creosoting Company Superfund Site in Portland, Oregon. The Proposed Plan for cleanup of the site is enclosed. The Natural Resource Trustees are welcome to review and comment on the proposed remedy for the site. The full Remedial Investigation and Revised Feasibility Study reports are also available for review at the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), 811 SW Sixth Avenue, in Portland.

We do not anticipate entering into negotiations with Potentially Responsible Parties (PRPs) for cleanup of this site because the site owner/operator is bankrupt. If, in the future, EPA or DEQ decide to enter into settlement negotiations with any PRPs, the Natural Resource Trustees will be notified. McCormick and Baxter is a State-lead site. The cleanup of this site will be funded by the Superfund, but conducted by the DEQ. If you are interested in participating in the development of the Remedial Design and Remedial Action plans, please let me know within the next 30 days.

In addition, if you have comments on the enclosed Proposed Plan, please send any comments to DEQ directly by December 8, 1995 at the address listed in the Proposed Plan. If you have any

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questions about the RI/FS or the Proposed Plan for cleanup of the site, you may contact Bruce Gilles of Oregon DEQ at (503) 229-6662. If you have any questions about EPA involvement at this site, I can be reached at (206) 553-7216.

Sincerely,

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Remedial Project Manager

cc: Bruce Gilles, DEQ Jeremy Buck, USFWS Charles Polityka, DOI